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FORMER ROCHESTER CITY POLICE OFFICER AND NEW YORK STATE INSURANCE FRAUD INVESTIGATOR SENTENCED FOR BANK FRAUD SCHEME

RE: UNITED STATES v. WILLIAM L. KING

Michael A. Battle, the United States Attorney for the Western District of New York, announced that William L. King, age 58, of Florida, formerly of 145 Kirkstone Pass, Rochester, New York, was sentenced today by United States District Court Judge David G. Larimer to one day in prison, two years supervised release, and a fine of \$5,000 in connection with his guilty plea on December 20, 2004 to bank fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1344, which charges a maximum term of imprisonment of 30 years, a \$1,000,000 fine, or both.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Richard A. Resnick, who is handled the case, stated that from January 2002 to April 2004, King executed a check kiting scheme involving bank accounts he had at the Monroe County Employee Federal Credit Union and the Canandaigua National Bank. Specifically, King would cover overdrafts on one of the banks by drawing checks on the other bank to create the illusion of having money at both banks. The total deposits to each of the bank accounts was in excess of \$10,000,000, which resulted in a loss to one of the banks of \$66,552. King repaid the bank this loss amount.

King worked as a Rochester Police Officer for 28 years and approximately 10 years as a New York State Insurance Fraud Investigator.

The conviction was the culmination of an joint investigation on the part of the United States Postal Inspection Service, under the direction of William E. Kezer, and the Internal Revenue Service under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Anne Marie Coons, Criminal Investigation Division..

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